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3. Met with Ralph Preston, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, and gave him the OER paper on the effects of the war on the Cambodian economy, in which the Committee had expressed an interest.

I told Preston of Chairman Henderson's suggestion that a letter to each member of the Henderson Subcommittee supporting an exemption from S. 782 for the Agency would be useful. Preston said he would see if Mahon would be willing to write separate letters rather than a single letter to the Chairman.

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8. [] and I met with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and briefed him on activation of a new technical collection system, explaining that preliminary results were promising but a detailed assessment would not be possible for the next two or three weeks.

We provided Woodruff with a copy of the OER paper on the effects of the war on the Cambodian economy.

We also discussed with Woodruff the current situation in the Senate with regard to amendments (such as Cooper/Church and McGovern/Hatfield) and the impact which they might have on legislation such as the Foreign Military Sales Act and the Armed Services Procurement Act which are being considered by the Senate. Woodruff maintained a very strong position to the effect that the Agency should follow the theory that the Director's authority, particularly section 5 of the CIA Act of 1949 as amended, is not affected by any of the legislative proposals which are being advocated. When we questioned Woodruff about the practical problems Senator Stennis might encounter on the floor of the Senate, he said Stennis should take the same public position that his (the Appropriations Committee) members would take, i.e., these are matters that are not discussed openly.

Woodruff also repeated his earlier recommendation that the Director discuss current problems, particularly those regarding funds, with Senator Ellender and Senator Milton Young.



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10. [] Met with Richard Perle, on the staff of the Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, and showed him a paper on the "Status of Soviet ICBM Deployment SLBM Construction, and SA-3/SA-5 Deployment." This fully satisfied Perle's request for a briefing on new strategic weapons starts and no further action is required.

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